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H.M.S. RENOWN ON LEAVE.

Passing the Forth Bridge: H.M.S. Renown recently came home to drop anchor for the first time for a year and a day.

Since war began, this great battleship <sup>- cruiser</sup> has sailed a hundred and thirty seven thousand miles; more than that, because since this film was taken she's been at sea again.

In port, her 15-inch ammunition ~~ammunition~~ is unloaded; this is always done as a measure of precaution; notice how these great shells are handled with real <sup>Navy</sup> ~~naval~~ efficiency and speed.

A spell at home means shore leave for the crew; and the captain takes the salute as they go after a successful and busy voyage.

Now a few floating craft that look a bit less stately: amphibian tractors.

These are American Marines --- the location is somewhere in the Pacific. America declares her intention of fighting this war with attack; and these are the weapons of invasion.

Back to sea again --- with another American story. Recently the news was released of American reinforcements landing in Australia: this is a convoy of an American Expeditionary Force at sea, including a detachment of nurses.

For many of these American soldiers it was the first glimpse of the sea; apparently the sea was just as anxious to meet them; it came right up on deck ~~to meet them.~~

*to say "Hallo"*